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SUBJECT: TRADE MINISTER ASSESSES BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP

Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

[1](#)1. (C) Following a discussion of general trade and economic issues (Cairo 1793), Minister of Trade Rachid asked for a few minutes alone with t

[1](#)2. (C) Rachid said he was really looking to understand what the U.S. wanted from Egypt. The Ambassador reiterated that the U.S. sought continu

[1](#)3. (C) Comment: The Ambassador will find an opportunity to follow up on this conversation before the Minister's mid-November visit to the U.S.